

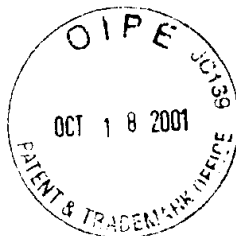


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APPLICATION NUMBER	FILING/RECEIPT DATE	FIRST NAMED APPLICANT	ATTORNEY DOCKET NUMBER
09/916,272	07/30/2001	Mark Seaver	N.C. 80218

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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

*Filing Date Granted*

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.  
*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
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Application No. 09/916,272  
Applicant(s): Seaver, et al.



PATENT APPLICATION  
Docket No.: N.C. 80,218

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: Seaver, et al.  
Application No.: 09/916,272  
Filed: 7/30/01  
For: AUTOMATED EPIFLUORESCENCE  
MICROSCOPY FOR DETECTION OF  
BACTERIAL CONTAMINATION IN  
PLATELETS

Examiner: To be assigned  
Group Art Unit: 1645  
October 9, 2001

**REPLY TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS  
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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application (copy attached), in which a time period for reply of two months was given.

In response, applicants submit herewith the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney for the above-identified application.

Applicants believe that the application is now complete and ready for substantive examination. However, if this is not the case, kindly contact the responsible working attorney identified below.

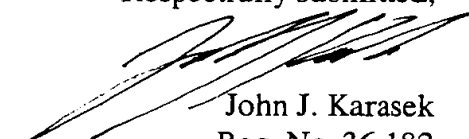
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<b>FEE TRANSMITTAL</b> for FY 2002		<b>Complete if Known</b>	
		Application Number	09/916,272
Patent fees are <i>subject to</i> annual revision.		Filing Date	July 30, 2001
		First Named Inventor	Seaver
		Examiner Name	Unknown
		Group Art Unit	Unknown
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METHOD OF PAYMENT		FEE CALCULATION (continued)	
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